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The Owner/Occupier

By Hand

Environment Department

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Our Ref: Footway Improvement Programme 25-26

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Dear Sir/Madam

Footway Preservation (Micro-surfacing)

We are writing to inform you that the Council's Contractor Volker Highways Ltd in conjunction with Colas will shortly be applying a footway preservation treatment. These works form part of the Council's ongoing programme of footway improvement works.

Footway preservation (Micro-surfacing) is a preventative maintenance process, this is a thin surfacing which is aimed at weatherproofing and strengthening the existing footway to ensure the footway condition does not deteriorate further. The nature of the material will not leave a completely smooth finish. This process removes the need to dig out and replace the existing footway, which is structurally sound and significantly reduces the cost and the carbon emissions. It is therefore better for the environment and ensures our available budgets can be maximised.

The work will be carried out with footway closures between the hours of **08:00-17:00**. This is necessary to enable the safe completion of the works in accordance with current Health and Safety Regulations.

Advanced information boards will be erected on site and whilst these works are subject to weather conditions, every effort will be made to complete these works as programmed. Should it be necessary to revise these timings, the information boards will be updated accordingly. Alternatively, you can view the current status of the scheme by visiting <https://one.network/> where any updates will be posted.

Every effort will be made to maintain access to private properties and businesses directly adjacent to the works; although, due to the nature of the treatment some inconvenience will be inevitable, but we will endeavour to keep this to an absolute minimum.

To enable the programme of work to be completed in a timely manner, it is essential that vehicles are not parked on the footway. We respectfully ask that you find somewhere else to park your vehicle while the work is on-going – Please help us by moving your vehicle accordingly.

Should you have any queries regarding these works, please do not hesitate to contact the Council's Customer Services Team on 01635 519080 in the first instance.

Yours faithfully

**Environment Department
(Asset Management Team)**

